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In re patent application of:

For: TRASH CAN BOOT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith in the above-identified application is:

- 1. A Preliminary Amendment;
- 2. A Drawing Change Authorization Request;
- 3. Six replacement drawing sheets;
- 4. Copy of Notice to File Corrected Application Papers;

- 5. A postcard for date of receipt stamping.
- 6. No additional fee is required.

The fee for additional claims presented in this amendment has been calculated as follows:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AFTER AMENDMENT PAID FOR		SMALL ENTITY			OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
		PREVIOUSLY	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADIT FEE	OR	RATE	ADIT FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS INDEP. CLAIMS	20	- 20 = (at least 20)	0	x 9=	\$ 0	OR	x 18=	
	3	- 3 = (at least 3)	0	x 43 =	\$ 0	OR	x 86 =	
EACH ADDITIONAL MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+145 =	\$ 0	OR	+290 =	
Total fee for added claims					\$0.00			

Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers sent from the United States

Patent and Trademark Office dated May 14, 2004 having a due date of July 14, 2004, please enter
the following preliminary amendment in the above-identified patent application prior to the
substantive examination thereof.